



St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

7910 Belair Road ~ Baltimore, MD 21236 ~ 410-665-7300 ~ st-peterslutheran.com

Our Mission:

Learn God's Truth



Share Spirit's Healing



Follow Jesus' Way



St. Peter's Elementary School & PACE News

August 18th Open House: If you, or someone you know, is interested in a quality Christian education for their child/children, please attend the Open House, from 5-6:30 pm., or contact the school office at 410-665-4521 for more information and/or to schedule a tour!

Saturday, August 23rd: Spend an evening with SPES families at Camden Yards as we cheer on the O's! The game against the Houston Astros begins at 7:05 pm. See the attached flier for ticket pricing and additional details.

Tuesday, September 2nd is our first day of school for the 2025-26 school year!

SAVE the DATES: Beachmont Corn Maze on Saturday, October 4th from 5-9 pm. and "Back To School" Picnic Party on Saturday, September, 6th from 11a-1p. See the fliers for details.

St. Peter's Family Goods Center

Because there are many pantries and BCPS schools who offer food to the community, we are repurposing our former food pantry to distribute other needed items like toiletries, diapers, and paper products. If you are interested in volunteering for the Family Goods Center, please contact Bill Lauer. A list of needed items will be available soon. This is a great opportunity for service hours for your middle or high school student, and volunteer hours for SPES families.

"Welcome!" Ebenezer Grace Worship

The members of Ebenezer Grace Worship have recently begun gathering for services in the Fellowship Hall. We are excited that we are able to provide a worship space for their members, who were displaced when their previous worship space was destroyed. Rev. Beth Lewis is their lead pastor, and Rev. Charles Nganga is their associate pastor.

Prayer Group

PRAYER GROUP will resume on Wednesday, September 3rd at 11am. TRY US! JOIN US! For a year of ... WHATEVER!!!! "Whatever is true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable, excellent, or praiseworthy ..." (Philippians 4:8). Thought-provoking discussion will ensue as we relate this verse to our Lives!

Kathy Shull & Patty Read

Games & Goodies!

Sunday, August 10th at 11:15 am.

See the flier for more details.

Invite FRAN to Church:

Friends

Relatives

Acquaintances

Neighbors

Share the Good News!



*I am the Church
You are the Church
We are the Church
Together*

A NEW WORLD

“I was never ready for anything like this?” How many of us can say this in whatever situation we find ourselves in? It could be how our society has changed; how technology has made things easier—or harder. How has work changed for you or your children? People need to learn new skills to keep up with what is expected of us. I didn’t imagine having to prepare audio visual programs for worship services, but I am grateful for study materials that come to me with the push of a computer key. Is it good or bad that we are constantly in touch through our cell phones?

We don’t miss a lot of the old ways of doing things, but what we’ve forgotten, or thought we could set aside, has been a great loss. Are there certain books we all should be reading? Are the plays of Shakespeare still worth the time and effort? Believers lament that people don’t know Scriptures, and we confess we ought to be better at cracking that Good Book. Alongside knowledge and wisdom, we’ve moved away from matters of civility and respect. Some blame political correctness and those who push back with ‘the hard truth.’ Perhaps it’s a matter of having good manners and respecting that we have differing opinions.

What this appears to mean for the Church is that our audience is much like the early days of the mission of the apostles. The

culture of our society is more diverse, which is not necessarily a bad thing. People generally seem to be happy finding whatever works for them in terms of a philosophy that is helpful and committed to others. At times we Christians can say about that: ‘live and let live,’ but then we also have a responsibility to share God’s way with those whom God is calling away from ways that lead to death. We believe that God calls us to save lives.

If our work seems harder because of the variety of opinions and information that swirls around us, then we make it simple. It may be hard to sway those who are satisfied with their lives as they are, and some who have been hurt by how religion, along with other institutions, has hurt their lives. But most people want to know that they are loved and cared for, that we deserve positive regard and meaningful relationships. Those who are hurting need help, and we trust that God’s love can save lives through us. Our council has been working toward some renewed outreach for those in need. We’ve heard time and again, love your neighbor. It’s what we’re all about, since God has loved us with all the care and help that we’ve ever needed. Like we all learned in kindergarten, it’s a good thing to share!

Pax, *Pastor Lans*



A NOTE from YOUR CHOIR DIRECTOR

For the last few days, I felt a little overwhelmed by all the things on my to-do list that don’t seem to get done. Just a look at my desk would give you a good idea of my problem. And getting older and slower does not seem to help. What does help?

This morning one verse of scripture gave me some courage. In Matthew 11:28 Jesus invites us: *Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.* Is

this an invitation to let go? Yes, but with the purpose of receiving new energy. Maybe not to conquer a mountain of duties but take the next step.

In a children’s book review I read about the following story: the animals in the forest were terrified and upset by a wildfire burning, when a little hummingbird started flying to the nearby lake taking a drop of water and flying back, dropping it on the fire.

The elephant who was watching said, “Little bird, you can never extinguish the fire by your little drops.” “Maybe not,” said the little bird, “but I am doing my part,” and continued flying back and forth. Thinking about what the bird had said, the elephant gathered his herd and started fetching water with their trunks and blowing it into the fire. This encouraged other animals to join in and after a while they managed to extinguish the flames.

To me this is a story of trial and tribulation met with the togetherness of helping our neighbors in need. We are called to do our part, even if it is small, but as a community joined together, we can accomplish big things.

August Happy Birthday!

5 Nicholas Castellano	18 John Gasiorowski
9 Sara Alexis	19 Mark Bayne
9 Abby Alexis	20 Pr. Lans Alexis
9 Miranda Buttton	20 John Murphy
13 Daniel Barnes	22 Alan Gaines
13 Kara Neat	23 Olivia Lauer
14 Sarilee Seeger	23 Harold Fargus
15 Eliza Greenwood	25 Nolan Weinreich
15 Peter Fargus	25 Kaden Chmielewski
16 Erik Alexis	26 Tyler Gahs
17 Patty Read	31 Karen Yelovich



August Happy Re-birthday!

5 Corwin Neat	8 Halley Sacker
5 Oliver Thompson	28 Jacob Frederick

Happy Birthday and Happy RE-birthday to those of you who were born or “born into” God’s family through baptism in August! If your Birthday or RE-birthday is not listed, contact the church office.

And we, as a Christian community, know where to get the help for our part; the invitation of Jesus to come to him is well expressed in one of our congregation’s favorite hymns:

What a Friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit;
oh, what needless pain we bare –
all because we do not carry
everything to God in prayer!
(ELW 742)

Bärbel Otto

August Worship Service Assistants Schedule (8:45 am.)

August 3: 8th Sunday after Pentecost
Worship Assistant: Erik Alexis
Usher: *Rich Murphy

August 10: 9th Sunday after Pentecost
Worship Assistant: Holly Frederick
Usher: Kathy Shull

August 17: 10th Sunday after Pentecost
Worship Assistant: Don Bayne
Ushers: *Jerry Dohmeier and Joe Mills

August 24: 11th Sunday after Pentecost
Worship Assistant: Heather Vogt
Usher: *Don Bayne

August 31: 12th Sunday after Pentecost
Worship Assistant: Rich Murphy
Ushers: Open

*Opener

August Altar Flower Sponsors

8/3 In Honor of **my family**. Given by Janice Frederick.

8/3 Open for 10:15 am.

8/10 In Honor and In Memory of **our faithful members**. Given by Janice Frederick.

8/10 In Celebration of **Daniel Barnes'** birthday. Given by Nancy Barnes.

8/17 In Loving memory of my Godmother, **Ruth Miller**, for her August 23rd birthday. Given by Ruth May.

8/17 In Honor of **Kenneth Diepold's** August 21st birthday. From Mom, Ruth Diepold.

8/17 In Honor of **Cody Van Dyke's** August 18th birthday, and **Glenn Rook's** birthday. Given by the Heinbaugh family.

8/17 In Celebration of **Olivia Lauer's** 11th birthday. Given by Cathy and Mark McQuade.

8/24 In Honor of **Lylah Medina's** August 29th birthday. Given by the Heinbaugh family.

8/24 Open for 10:15 am.

8/24 Rose Vase: In Honor of **Carlyn Wilder's** August 26th birthday. Mom-Mom, Ruth Diepold.

8/31 In Loving Memory of **Patty Erck** for her September 2nd birthday. Given by her sister, Irma Stockdale.

8/31 Open for 10:15 am.

Baltimore Cancer Support Group

Weekly Meetings: We meet at St. Peter's on Thursday evenings beginning at 7 pm. All who are/have been touched by cancer are welcome to join us for conversation and support. For more information, contact us at 410-668-1762.

August Bulletin Sponsors

8/3 In Loving Memory of **Marie Kreisel's** August 4th birthday. Given by the Volz family.

8/3 In Loving Memory of **Uncle Herb Weinreich**. Given by the Mills family.

8/10 In Honor of **Jade Mills** on her August 12th birthday. Given with love by Mom and Dad.

8/17 In Loving memory of my aunt, **Ruth Miller**, for her August 23rd birthday. Given by her niece, Carole Grimm.

8/17 In Loving Memory of **Uncle John Bast**. Given by the Mills family.

8/24 In Honor of **Uncle Bunk Weinreich** on his birthday. Given with love by the Mills family.

8/31 Open

To Sponsor ...

- bulletins or 8:45 am. flowers contact the church office
- 10:15 am. flowers contact Nancy Barnes

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**Altar flowers** (2 bouquets) - \$30

**Altar piece** - \$45

**Bulletin sponsorship** - \$10

**Rose Vase** - \$10  
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Need a floral arrangement for an upcoming holiday event or special celebration? Consider using our Sunday bouquet florist, Drayer's Florist/The Flower Bucket! Call them for pricing and design information at 410-335-6286.

St. Peter's WELCA News

Quilting Group - No experience is necessary to help with quilt making—if you can use scissors, we can use you! Contact Janice Frederick for more information (410-665-1868).

Church & School Staff

Church:

Pastor: Lans Alexis 443-388-1828
pastor@st-peterslutheran.com

Organist/Choir Director:
Bärbel Otto 410-665-7300

**Contemporary Music/Praise Team
Director:** Richard Stone

Secretary: Joy Mayne 410-665-7300
office@st-peterslutheran.com

Sunday Morning Schedule:
8:45 & 10:15 am. Worship
10:00 am. Coffee & Conversation
10:00 am. Sunday school

School:

Principal: April Blahut 410-665-4521
ablahut@spesmd.org

Administrative Assistant:
Karen Yelovich 410-665-4521
Email forthcoming

**Parents Association for Christian
Education (PACE):**
stpeterspace@gmail.com

Church Web Address:
www.st-peterslutheran.com

School Web Address:
www.spesmd.org

School Inquiries Email:
info@spesmd.org

Church Council Officers

President: Mark McQuade

Vice President: Karen Yelovich

Recording Secretary: Lena Frankenfeld

Treasurer: Kathy Sykes

Financial Secretary: William Lauer

Church Mission & Planning Team Members

Faith Formation: Karen Yelovich

Fellowship: Lena Frankenfeld

Investment: Rich Murphy

Nominating: Mark McQuade

Prayer Chain: Ruth Diepold

Property: Don Bayne

School Board: Lena Frankenfeld

WELCA: Mary Lue Frederick

Annual Meetings

4th Sunday in February: Missions and
Life of the Church

2nd Sunday in November: Vote on budget
and council and Investment Committee
members

**You can now make donations on-line
through PayPal! Login to your PayPal
account and search for our tag: @Spl367
or St. Peter's Lutheran Church and
Christian Day School.**

**Articles for *Networks* are due to the
church office by the 15th of each month.
For the June/July issue, they are due by
May 15th.**



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**St. Peter's Lutheran Church
invites you to come in from the heat and join us
in the fellowship area of the lower level for ...**

Games & Goodies!



Sunday, August 10th at 11:15 am.

**Fun for all ages & no experience necessary!
Bring your favorite game!**

**Goodies & Beverages provided.
Optional: Bring a snack to share**



St. Peter's Elementary Fundraiser Outing!

Join your faculty, staff, and classmates of St. Peter's Elementary and bring your family and friends to an Orioles game on Saturday, August 23!

Saturday, August 23 at 7:05 PM vs. Houston Astros

Jim Palmer Replica Jersey | First 20,000 Fans

Upper Reserve (section 348): \$29*

Lower Reserve (section 61): \$33*

\$5 of every ticket sold will benefit

Enter Promo Code:

SPE25

at check out!

St. Peter's
Elementary School



For any questions or accessible seating, please call Gary at 410.547.6115

To Purchase Tickets:

1. Click on the link or QR code below
2. Click the "Get Tickets" button, select your section, and place your seats in the cart.
3. After checkout, you will receive an email with instructions on accessing your mobile tickets.
4. Share this offer with your friends, family, and fellow St. Peter's community.

<https://www.gofevo.com/event/Stpeterselementary>



*There is an additional 10% service charge per ticket.



Beachmont

CORN MAZE



SPIRIT EVENT FOR:
St. Peter's Elementary School
Saturday, October 4 | 5pm-9pm

Enjoy Beachmont's 6+ acre corn maze,
hayride, carnival games, and more-all
included in the price of admission!
Concessions are also available!

Admission Information:

\$18 per person, purchase at the door
*(Guests 15 years and under must be accompanied by
an adult at all times)*

Present this flyer to be included in the fundraiser!
Thank you for your support!

6433 Mt. Vista Road | Kingsville, MD 21087
beachmont.org | info@beachmont.org

**ST. PETER'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,
7910 BEL AIR RD BALT, MD 21236
SEPT 6TH 2025 11AM-1PM**

BACK TO SCHOOL



PICNIC PARTY

Meet Staff
and
Make New Friends

BRING BLANKETS AND CHAIRS

August 2025

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
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3 10a (H) EGW	4	5 10a (4th) MM	6	7 7p (S/SL) BCSG	8	9 12p (H) SPES Uniform Sale
10 10a (H) EGW 11:15a (LL) Games & Goodies	11	12 10a (4th) MM	13 7p (S) Council mtg.	14 7p (S/SL) BCSG	15	16
17 10a (H) EGW	18 5p SPES Open House	19 10a (4th) MM	20 7p (Virtual) Sch. Brd. Mtg.	21 7p (S/SL) BCSG	22	23 7:05p SPES Night at Camden Yards
24 10a (H) EGW	25	26	27	28 7p (S/SL) BCSG	29	30
31 10a (H) EGW						
<p>Key:</p> <p>(CH) Church; (GC) Grace Chapel; (H) Hall; (LL) Church Lower Level; (S) South Conf. Room; (SL) School Library BCSG=Baltimore Cancer Support Group; EGW=Ebenezer Grace Worship; MM=Mini Maestros (piano)</p>						



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